

Prenatal Sensory Development: Fact or Fiction

Read each statement below. If you think that the statement is factual, write Fact as the answer. If you think that the statement is not factual, write Fiction as the answer.

Statement	Fact or Fiction
1. The embryo experiences the sense of touch as early as 7 ½ weeks of development.	
2. Prenatal experiences with taste affect what babies can taste and what they prefer to taste after birth.	
3. Because the fetus is surrounded by fluid, the sense of smell does not develop until after birth.	
4. The fetus can tell when the mother is moving about – standing up, walking, exercising, sitting, or lying down.	
5. The fetus hears the bodily sounds of the mother as well as sounds occurring outside the mother's body.	
6. Vision is the last sense to develop because there is no light in the womb to stimulate the eyes.	

